

Honorable Ronald B. Leighton



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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT TACOMA

UNDER SEAL,

v. Plaintiff,

UNDER SEAL,

Defendant.

No. C08-5532-RBL

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT TACOMA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
*ex rel.* RUTH L. RUCKMAN,

Plaintiff,

v.

ALFRED H. CHAN, M.D., P.C.; ALFRED  
H. CHAN, M.D.; JUDY H. CHAN; and  
DOES 1 through 50,

Defendants.

No. C08-5532-RBL

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**ORDER**

The United States has filed an *Ex Parte* Application for an Extension of time to Consider Election to Intervene, in which the government seeks a four (4) month extension of time, from March 4, 2010, to July 4, 2010, in which to notify the Court whether it intends to intervene in this *qui tam* lawsuit. Such an extension of time is expressly contemplated by the False Claims Act, which provides that the United States "may, for good cause shown move the Court for extensions of time...." 31 U.S.C. § 3730(b)(3). The Court finds that such good cause exists here.


Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED that the United States shall have until July 4, 2010, to notify the Court of its decision whether or not to intervene in this *qui tam* action. The Clerk

1 shall maintain the Complaint and other filings under seal for the duration of the government's  
2 investigation.

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4 DATED this 28 day of March, 2010.

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8 RONALD B. LEIGHTON  
9 United States District Judge

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